

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3, 14 and 26-28 are pending.

Claims 1, 3-4, and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Nakano (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0057899). Furthermore, claims 10-25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Murase (U.S. Patent No. 6,424,797). Applicants respectfully traverse this art grounds of rejection.

Independent claims 1 and 14 remain pending in the subject application. Independent claims 1 and 14 have been amended to recite “the management data including indication information indicating whether the video data includes the still picture, and the management data including clock reference information and still presentation information that indicate how long the still picture is to be reproduced.” Applicants respectfully submit that none of these limitations are disclosed or suggested by Nakano or Murase.

Therefore, neither Nakano nor Murase anticipate or render claims 1 and 14 obvious to one skilled in the art.

Claims 10-12, 15-18, 22 and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Applicants have cancelled these claims rendering this rejection moot.

CONCLUSION

In view of above remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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